

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Lawrence P. Novak, Treasurer
Massachusetts State Republican
Congressional Committee
21 Milk Street, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02109

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Reference:

Amended Year End Report (7/01/99-12/31/99), dated 4/14/00

Dear Mr. Novak:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule H4 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Expense Reimbursement", "Consulting", "Consulting Services", "10032316-8", "Event Expense/Election Night", "Event Fees", "Campaign Tel", and "Event Charges". For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-On Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of the Detailed Summary Page, you have failed to include the purpose for several joint expenditures to various vendors. Note that the unique identifying code for an event is not considered an adequate description of purpose. Please amend your report to include this missing information.

-Your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for the Weld Event '99 and Weld Letter '99 fundraising events are incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for the whole Administrative/Voter Drive category. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for fundraising, direct candidate support, and exempt activities are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year within a specific

event. These should be calculated by adding the latest disbursement for a category or event to the previous EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total for that category or event. This running EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total should be disclosed after each disbursement is listed. Please amend your report by providing the correct EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

-Your report(s) was not signed by the treasurer or designated agent listed on your Statement of Organization. Please amend your report(s) by providing the signature of an individual that is authorized to sign the report(s). 2 U.S.C. §434(a)(i) and 11 CFR §104.14(a) and (d) If a new treasurer has been appointed, please file an amended Statement of Organization (FORM 1) or a letter to reflect this change.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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